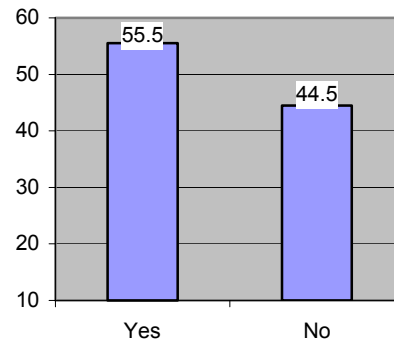


Breastfeeding

PRAMS asks:

Did you ever breastfeed or pump breast milk to feed your new baby after delivery? Q. 50

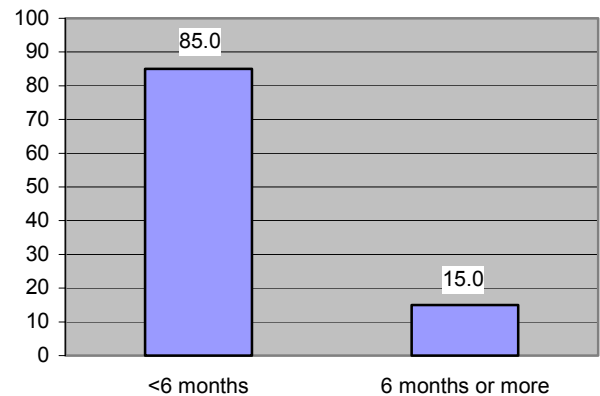
- 55.5% of women report **Yes**- they breastfed.
- 44.5 % of women report **No**- they did not breastfeed.



PRAMS asks:

How many weeks or months did you breastfeed or pump milk to feed your baby? Q. 53

- 85.0% of women report breastfeeding for **less than six months**.
- 15.0% of women report breastfeeding for **six months or more**.

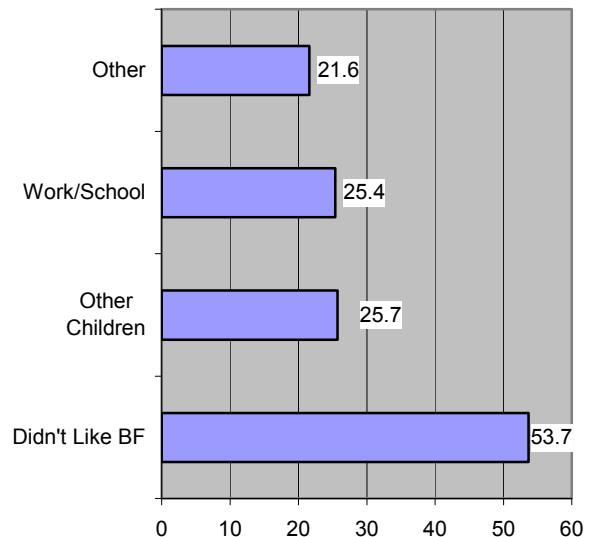


PRAMS asks:

What were your reasons for not breastfeeding your new baby? Q. 51

Special Note: Q. 51 is filtered by Q. 50.

- The top four reasons for not breastfeeding were the following:
 - Other: 21.6%
 - I went back to work or school: 25.4%
 - I had other children to take care of: 25.7%
 - I didn't like breastfeeding: 53.7%

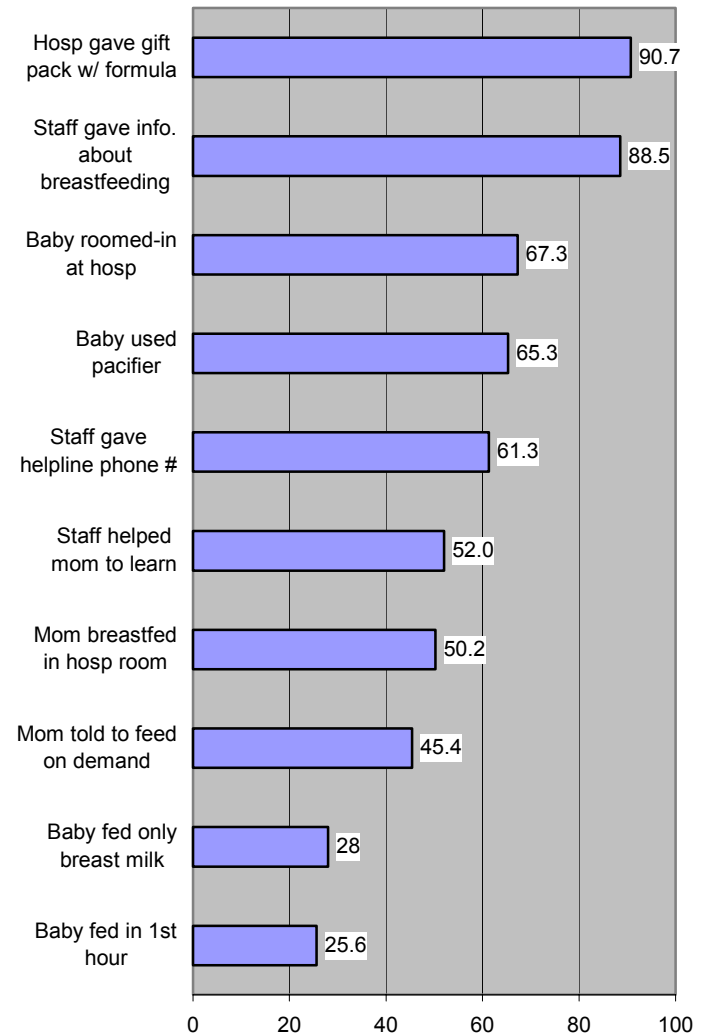


Breastfeeding

PRAMS asks:

This question asks about things that may have happened at the hospital where your new baby was born. For each item, circle Yes if it happened or No if it did not happen. Q. 55

- Women reported the following information/situations concerned with breastfeeding in the hospital setting:
- 90.7% of women report that the hospital gave them a gift pack with formula.
 - 88.5% of women report that the hospital gave them information about breastfeeding.
 - 67.3% of women report that their baby stayed in the same room with them at the hospital.
 - 65.3% of women report that their baby used a pacifier in the hospital.
 - 61.3% of women report that the hospital gave them a telephone number to call for help with breastfeeding.
 - 52.0% of women report that the hospital staff helped them learn how to breastfeed.
 - 50.2% of women report that they breastfed their baby in the hospital.
 - 45.4% of women report that the hospital told them to breastfeed whenever their baby wanted it.
 - 28.0% of women report that their baby was fed only breast milk in the hospital.
 - 25.6% of women report that they breastfed their baby in the 1st hour after birth.

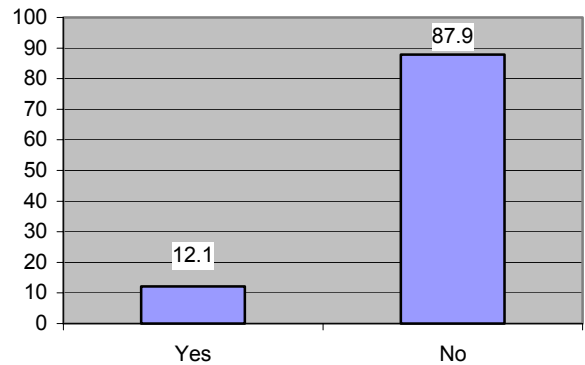


Breastfeeding

PRAMS asks:

Did anyone suggest that you *not* breastfeed your new baby? Q. 56

- 12.1% of women report **Yes**.
- 87.9 % of women report **No**.

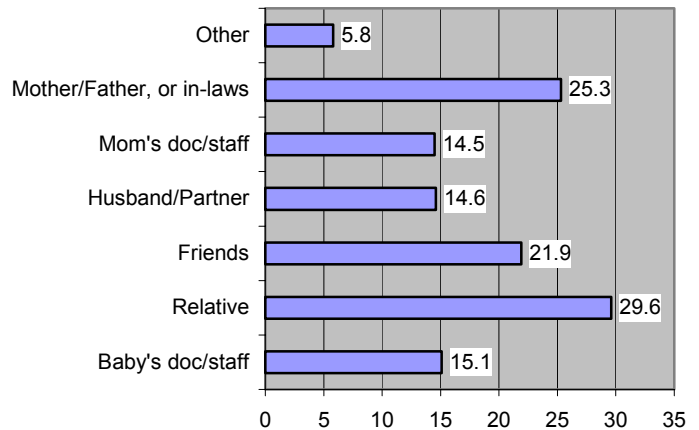


PRAMS asks:

Who suggested that you not breastfeed your new baby? Q. 57

Note: This question is answered by those who responded “Yes” to question #56.

- 15.1% of women report their **baby's doctor or staff** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 29.6% of women report that a **relative** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 21.9% of women report that their **friends** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 14.6% of women report that their **husband or partner** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 14.5% of women report that **their doctor or staff** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 25.3% of women report that their **mother, father or in-laws** suggested that they not breastfeed.
- 5.8% report **other** as the source of breastfeeding discouragement.



Special Note: Missing Data

Question 50- 3.5 %

Question 51- See Appendix E

Question 55- See Appendix E